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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A skin care composition comprising:
 - a) from about 0.0001% to about 25%, by weight of an N-acyl amino acid compound wherein said N-acyl amino acid is N-acyl phenylalanine selected from the group consisting of N acyl amino acid, its isomers, its salts, and derivatives thereof;
 - b) a safe and effective amount of a skin care active, from about 2% to about 5% of vitamin B₃ selected from the group consisting of sugar amine, vitamin B₃, retinoids, peptides, phytosterol, dialkanoyl hydroxyproline, hexamidine, salicylic acid and their derivatives, and combinations thereof; and
 - c) a dermatologically acceptable carrier for the N-acyl amino acid and the vitamin B₃ skin care active.
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Original) The skin care composition of Claim 3 where said N-acyl phenylalanine is N-undccylenoyl-L-phenylalanine.
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Original) The skin care composition of Claim 5 wherein said vitamin B₃ skin care active is niacinamide.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The skin care composition of Claim 1 wherein said N-acyl amino acid compound is N-undecylenoyl-L-phenylalanine present in an amount of from about 0.02-2.5%, by weight of the composition, and said skin care active is

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niacinamide present in an amount of from about 2% to about 5%, by weight of the composition.

- 8. (Original) The skin care composition of Claim 1 further comprising from about 0.001% to about 10%, by weight, of an additional component selected from the group consisting of desquamatory actives, anti-acne actives, wrinkle repair actives, anti-oxidants, radical scavengers, chelators, flavonoids, anti-inflammatory agents, anti-cellulite agents, tanning actives, skin lightening agents, antimicrobial actives, antifungal actives, sunscreen actives, conditioning agents, thickening agents, water soluble vitamins, particulate material, topical anesthetics, and combinations thereof.
- (Original) The skin care composition of Claim 1 wherein said composition is an emulsion.
- 10. (Original) The skin care composition of Claim 9 wherein the emulsion is selected from the group consisting of water-in-oil emulsions, oil-in-water emulsions, and combinations thereof.

Claims 11-24 (Cancelled)